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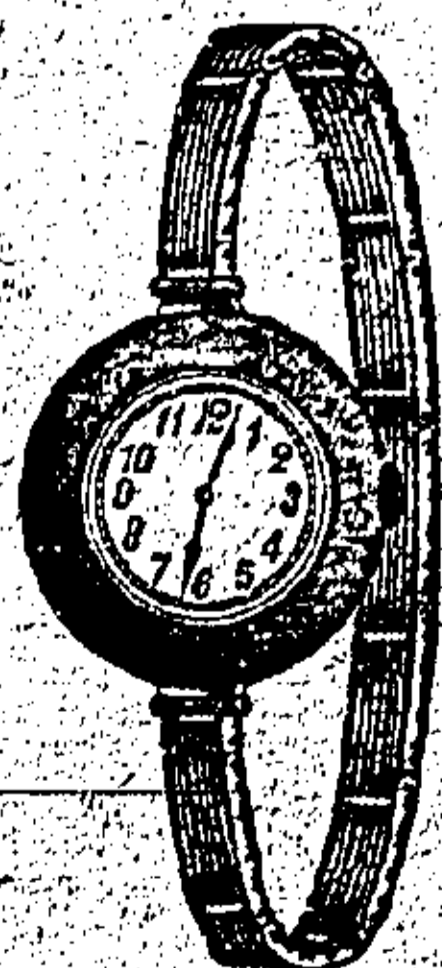
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SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

P. & O. LINER SUNK.

A HEAVY DEATH ROLL.

LONDON, Jan. 1. Lloyds reports that the P. and O. liner *Persia*, bound from London to Bombay, was sunk on December 30th.

Most of the passengers and crew were lost.

The *Persia* was a vessel of 7,974 tons and a speed of 18 knots. She had all up-to-date improvements. The P. and O. Company state that the last direct information of the ship was received on the 28th December. She carried a large number of passengers and a considerable crew, but at present official figures are not available.

The passenger-list of the *Persia* has a total of 231 booked from London. Of these 87 were women and 23 children.

The *Persia* was sunk at one o'clock in the afternoon. Four boats got clear.

The shock given to the public recalls that evoked by the *Lusitania*, especially after the immunity these passenger steamers have enjoyed.

It is officially announced that the *Persia* was torpedoed and sunk off Crete. A steamer conveying survivors from four boats which alone got away is expected at Alexandria to-day.

The crew of the *Persia* numbered between 200 and 300, mostly Lancashire. Thus even if the four boats had each their full complement of 60, the death roll must be in the region of 200.

There were three Americans on board the *Persia*.

FUTILE AUSTRIAN RAID ON DURAZZO.

FUTILE AUSTRIAN NAVAL RAID.

TWO MODERN DESTROYERS SUNK.

PARIS, Dec. 30. A communique says that the Austrians attempted another Naval raid, but met with disaster. A Naval division emerged from Cattaro with the object of bombarding Durazzo, and Allied flotillas gave battle. The modern Austrian destroyer *Lika* was blown up by a mine, and her sister-ship, the *Triglav*, was sunk by the Allies. The remainder of the Austrians fled, pursued by the Allies.

ITALIAN OFFICIAL ACCOUNT.

LONDON, Dec. 30. The Italian official account of the Austrian raid on Durazzo says the enemy consisted of a scout and five destroyers. The damage they did was insignificant.

A message from Durazzo states that the survivors of the *Lika* were captured, and that an enemy aeroplane was brought down by an Allied destroyer. All the Allies' ships were unscathed.

AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL ACCOUNT.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31. The Austrian official account of the Durazzo action says two destroyers were mined during the bombardment. One sank and the other was taken in tow, but had to be sunk on the approach of hostile cruisers and destroyers. The statement speaks of the presence of British cruisers.

FRENCH SUBMARINE AND ENEMY TRANSPORT SUNK.

A communique issued in Paris states that prior to the fight at Durazzo the French submarine *Monge* was sunk by an enemy cruiser off Cattaro. The majority of the crew were rescued.

A French submarine sank an enemy transport in the Adriatic.

BULGARIAN CAMP BOMBED.

PARIS, Jan. 1. French aeroplanes bombarded the Bulgarian camps east of Lake Doir.

NEW YEAR HONOURS.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The New Year Honours List includes the following:—

KNIGHTS OF THE GARTER.

Lord Curzon.

The Duke of Devonshire.

VISCOUNT.

Lord Mersey.

G.C.B.

Sir Robert Chalmers, Governor of Ceylon.

PRIVY COUNCILLORS.

Sir F. G. Bannbury, M.P. for the City of London (U.).

Sir D. F. Goddard, M.P. for Ipswich (L.).

Mr. G. N. Barnes, M.P. for Blackfriars (Labour).

Mr. W. Crooks, M.P. for Woolwich (Labour).

Mr. Leverton Harris, M.P.

Mr. D. Maclean, M.P. for Peebles (L.).

BARONS.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford.

Sir T. G. Shannessy, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

Mr. William Waldorf Astor.

Mr. D. A. Thomas, Munitions Commissioner.

Sir A. Henderson, M.P. for St. George's, Hanover Square.

Capt. W. L. Norton, M.P. for Newton.

BARONETS.

Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., Chairman of the Oudard Co.

Sir G. Bullough, for services in connection with the war.

Mr. W. Burbridge, Director of Harrods Stores, for services in connection with the war.

Sir Charles Johnston, the Lord Mayor of London.

Rt. Hon. I. J. O'Brien, Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

Mr. S. Palmer, Director of Huntley and Palmer's for services to music.

Hon. Charles Russell, Solicitor.

Vice-Admiral Sturdee.

Mr. A. Yarrow, ship-builder.

Sir J. Jardine, K.I.C.E., M.P. for Roxburg.

Col. J. Rutherford, T.D., M.P. for Darwen.

Mr. E. Webb, M.P. for the Forest of Dean.

KNIGHTHOODS.

Twenty-eight Knighthoods are conferred, among the recipients being:

Mr. Thomas Beecham, the well-known Opera promoter.

Mr. R. Inches, Lord Provost of Edinburgh.

Rev. Adam Smith, Principal of Aberdeen University.

Dr. T. Parkinson.

Dr. M. Rees, Laryngologist to H.M.'s Household.

Dr. G. Berry, Oculist to H.M. in Scotland.

Mr. A. W. Black, M.P. for Biggleswade (L.).

Mr. W. Middlebrook, M.P. for S. Leeds (L.).

Mr. Anton Bertram, Attorney-General of Ceylon.

Mr. J. A. C. Bucknill, Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements.

Mr. F. S. A. Bourne, C.M.G., Judge of Weihaiwei, formerly of Shanghai.

G.C.M.G.

Lieut.-General Sir H. S. Miles, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Gibraltar.

C.M.G.

Sir Edward Merewether, K.C.V.O., Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Sierra Leone.

Hon. Thomas Mackenzie, High Commissioner of New Zealand.

Rt. Hon. Peter White, P.C., Minister of Finance, Canada.

Hon. Lunelot Carnegie, H.B.M. to Portugal.

H.H. the Sultan of Johore (honorary).

Mr. Lyle, Consul-General at Bangkok.

Mr. Lay, Consul-General at Seoul.

Hon. Bernard Senior, I.S.O., Treasurer of Ceylon.

ORDER OF MERIT.

Henry James.

NAVAL HONOURS.

C.M.G.'s.

Vice-Admiral Carden, Brock.

Patley, Limpus and Thursby.

K.O.B.

Vice-Admiral de Robeck.

THE NEW YEAR HONOURS.

The King has appointed the new British Field Marshal.

INDIAN HONOURS LIST.

STAR OF INDIA.

General Sir Beauchamp Duff, G.C.B., R.C.V.O., K.C.S.I., C.B., C.I.E., Commander-in-Chief in India, receives the Cross of the Star of India.

R.C.V.O.

Sir James Robert Dunlop-Smith, Political A.D.C. to Secretary of State for India.

C.B.

Mr. Montague Butler, C.I.E., C.V.O., Joint Secretary Royal Commission on Public Services in India.

KNIGHTHOODS.

Hon. Mr. Justice Holmwood, of the High Court of Bengal.

Rei Kallash Chandra Basu, Bahadur of Calcutta Municipality.

Mr. Reid, Manager of the Bombay Company, Bombay.

Baba Gurbakhsh Singh Bedi, extra Assistant Commissioner of the Punjab.

Mr. Hunter, Secretary of the Bank of Madras.

Mr. Justice Chatterjee, Chief Justice designate of Bihar-Crisis.

Mr. Fry, ex-Director-General of Stores at the India Office.

MILITARY HONOURS.

G.C.B.

Major-General Playfair.

R.C.B.

Lieut.-General Sir Percy Lake.

Brigadier-General Petersen.

Brigadier-General C. Hanley.

Colonel F. H. S. Thomas.

Colonel Cripps.

Lt.-Colonel W. W. White.

Major F. J. Aylmer, R.E.

C.B.

Brigadier-General F. Fowler.

Brigadier-General Elstie.

Colonel Cole.

RECOMMENDED FOR GALLANT AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICES.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

The *Gazette* contains twenty-seven pages of names of officers and men recommended for gallant and distinguished service in the field by Field-marshal Sir John French. It includes General Haig, General Monro, Sir W. Robertson, Brigadier-General Seely and Prince Alexander of Teck.

NEW YEAR MESSAGES.

KING'S NEW YEAR WISHES TO FRANCE.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The King on the occasion of the New Year telegraphed to President Poincaré warmest wishes for his welfare, and said the heroism and sacrifices of our gallant soldiers and sailors rendered undissolvable the ties binding the two countries. His Majesty expressed deep admiration of the splendid qualities of the land and sea forces of France, which were a sure guarantee of ultimate victory.

FRENCH PRESIDENT'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE.

PARIS, Jan. 1.

President Poincaré in a long New Year letter to the troops dwells upon the unshaken unanimity of the country to prosecute the war until victory is achieved. He declares that no compromise is possible. Any ambiguous offer of peace will merely mean dishonour, ruin and enslavement; any momentary halting would be ingratitude to the dead and treason to posterity. The nation which first grows tired will be vanquished, but France will not grow tired. "Never had we a finer Army or better trained and braver troops. Everywhere I have seen you I have quivered with admiration and hope. You will conquer in the year now opening, and complete defeat of the enemy will bring you the joy of victory."

KAISER'S VAINGLORIOUS MESSAGE.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 1.

The Kaiser in a vainglorious New Year message to his Navy and Army says: "The superior numbers of the enemy have failed before your loyalty and bravery. Wherever I have sent you into battle you have gained a glorious victory. The madly impotent enemy try to deprive us of all that makes life worth living, having abandoned hope of beating us in a fair fight. We enter the New Year with God for Germany's greatness."

[There has been some mutilation of his message in transit and the Cable Co. intimates that a correction will follow.—Ed.]

GERMANY VERY MUCH DISHEARTENED.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

Reuters Agency is enabled to announce that information received through diplomatic sources from many quarters, confirms the reports that Germany is very much disheartened because no real progress is being made, largely owing to the blockade.

RECOGNISE CHANCE OF SUCCESSFUL OFFENSIVE HAS GONE.

Though the Germans recognise that the chance of a successful offensive in the West has gone, they are debating the question of a new attack. It is understood that they have decided to attempt an early smashing blow.

STRONG OBJECTION TO SENDING TROOPS TO ASIA.

Their fear of Russia is extreme and it is admitted that their achievements in the Balkans are practically useless; while there is the strongest objection to sending German troops to Asia. Hence the importance attached to the activities of the diplomats at Lausanne and of Prince Buelow, Prince Hatzfeldt and Count Dordersmark, who are understood to be in communication with the Kaiser.

KAISER SUFFERING FROM A TUMOUR.

MUST REMAIN INDOORS.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

A semi-official Berlin telegram admits that the Kaiser is suffering from a tumour; and, though it describes it to be non-malignant, says the Kaiser must remain indoors.

The doctors up to the present have not been successful in removing the danger of blood-poisoning.

The Kaiser is in bed, being nursed by His Majesty's only surviving certain State officials. He is suffering from great depression.

The people of Berlin are disappointed that the Kaiser is unable to attend the New Year parade. The wildest rumours are in circulation.

LOSS OF H.M.S. "NATAL".

SUNK BY AN INTERNAL EXPLOSION.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

The Admiralty announces that the cruiser "Natal" was sunk yesterday in harbour, as a result of an internal explosion.

There are about 400 survivors. The "Natal" complement was about 700.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The survivors of the "Natal" are 14 officers and 373 men. The chief officers saved are Lieut.-commander Tyndall, Lieut. Fildes, Engineer Commander Greenham, Captain Hazen, B.M.L.I., Fleet-Surgeon Tuck, Sub-Lieut. Price and Chaplain Driscoll.

[The "Natal" belonged to the 2nd Cruiser Squadron. She was built in 1907.]

BATTLE IN EASTERN GALICIA INCREASING.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

The violence and extent of the great battle in Eastern Galicia is increasing, says an Austrian communique.

It adds that the Russians yesterday attacked, not only the Bessarabian front, but also the Austrian positions east of lower middle Styria. It claims vaguely that the advance "mostly" failed.

ATTACK ON SALONIKA WOULD COST 150,000 MEN.

ROME, Jan. 1.

A telegram says that General Castellano in an interview was most enthusiastic about the defence of Salonika. A member of the General's suite declared that an attack would cost the enemy 150,000 men.

BULGARIANS SHORT OF AMMUNITION.

PARIS, Jan. 1.

It is stated that the Bulgarians are exceedingly short of ammunition.

BRITISH REVENUE.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The revenue for the past quarter has been £24,390,510, showing an increase of £21,087,141.

BRITISH NAVAL CHANGES.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The Admiralty announces that Admiral Colville succeeds Admiral Sir Hedworth Mox as Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.

[Vice-Admiral Watres succeeds Vice-Admiral Egerton at Plymouth.]

FRENCH ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

PARIS, Dec. 30.

A communique states that artillery has exploded ammunition depots at Artois, and smashed machine-gun shelters between the Oise and the Aisne.

The artillery has been most active also in the Vosges, especially in the regions of Hartmannswillerkopf, Metzeral and Ling. French shells caused five big explosions in a wood in the valley of Fecté.

A German grenade attack at Rehfeld was easily repulsed.

BRITISH AEROPLANES BOMB A STATION AND AERODROME.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

It is officially reported from Headquarters that British aeroplanes effectively bombed Comines station and Herilly aerodrome.

There were twelve air encounters during the day and the artillery on both sides has been active near Ypres and Fricourt.

GERMAN GRENADE ATTACK DEFEATED.

PARIS, Dec. 31.

A communique states that a German grenade attack was defeated in Champagne.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT.

PARIS, Jan. 1.

A communique reports minor operations favourable to the French.

ACTIVITY ALONG THE BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

An official report from Headquarters says the enemy has been active at mining about the quarries north of Locs.

Five mines were exploded last night, causing some few casualties and slight damage to our trenches. No attack was made and the damage is being repaired.

There has been artillery activity on both sides about Halluach, Givachy, Wytschete and St. Julien, and an increase of hostile shelling along the Armentieres.

Our heavy howitzers considerably damaged various points of the hostile line.

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The text of a Headquarters despatch says: Sixteen of our aeroplanes bombed Comines station, railway lines and sheds. Ten aeroplanes attacked Herilly aerodrome which was considerably damaged. All the machines in both cases returned safely.

There were twelve air encounters during the day. One of our machines engaged four of the enemy. One of the latter is believed to have been brought down and another was damaged. All four were driven off. One of our aeroplanes was brought down as the result of a combat with two hostile machines.

The enemy during the night heavily shelled the trenches south of Fricourt. A few Germans penetrated one of our front trenches, but were immediately ejected.

The weather has been fine.

Our artillery has been active at various points and both aeroplanes have been active north of Ypres.

THE OCCUPATION OF CASTELLORIZO.

ATHENS, Dec. 31.

The French Government has received the Greek protest against the occupation of Castellorizo in a friendly spirit, assuring Greece that it was a necessity of war and only provisional. It is understood that at last night's Greek cabinet optimism prevailed. The relations between Greece and the Entente Powers are regarded as quite friendly.

ACTIVITY AT THE DARDANELLES.

PARIS, Jan. 1.

There has been great artillery activity in the Dardanelles. A French battleship bombarded the Turkish batteries on the Asiatic coast.

TAUBES OVER SALONIKA.

SALONIKA, Dec. 30.

There was considerable excitement here this morning when three Taubes flew over the town and harbour.

They were heavily bombarded by warships but apparently they were not touched, as they were at a great altitude.

MILITARY PROMOTIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The promotion of Lieut.-General Palliser and Aylmer is gazetted.

ARREST OF TEUTON CONSULS AT SALONIKA.

LONDON, Jan. 1.

The Times correspondent at Salonika says that the German, Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian Consuls, their staffs and families have been arrested by order of General Sarraiti and taken on board a French warship. The four Consulates are occupied by Allied troops.

ATHENS, Jan. 1st.

The Central Powers, Bulgaria and Turkey have collectively complained to Greece of the arrest of their Consuls at Salonika.

Mr. Skouloudes replied that the protest had already been lodged in London and Paris.

Greece has protested against the arrest of Consuls at Salonika which it describes as a violation of sovereign rights.



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THE DIARY

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Pianos, Carpets etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, Jan. 7.—

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SUNDAY, Jan. 9.—

Final of Golf Championship at Fanning.

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without ensuring the safety of the lives of non-combatants, provided that the liners do not try to escape or offer resistance." That pledge is shown to be to the Germans and Austrians just a "scrup of paper," and nothing more. Six passenger liners have been sunk since the pledge was given. How the United States or any other Power after all this can continue to place any trust in the solemn pledges of Germany or Austria it is difficult to understand. These diabolical outrages show how impossible it will be when Peace terms come to be discussed to give Germany credit for any honest intention.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Messrs Vernon and Smyth report "no change" with regard to the local share market this afternoon.

Various articles have been stolen from the residence of Messrs. A. Spiers and W. F. Douglas at 614 Wanchai Road.

A folk ship at 58 Bonham Strand has accompanied with \$1,873 given him to pay Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.

Revenue officer Wildin found 245 lbs. of opium concealed in the fore-peak of the s.s. Hatching on her arrival at this week-end.

The rates of postage and insurance fees to be collected on parcels from the 1st January are published in the current number of the Government Gazette.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha informs us that all the passengers (if the sunken steamer "Yasaka Maru" have been transferred to the s.s. "Andre Labon"; also that the s.s. "Katori Maru" and "Toyohashi Maru" and "Miyazaki Maru" are being ordered to proceed via Cape.

At a directors' meeting of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha held on December 21 it was decided to declare a dividend of 12 per cent. at the general meeting of the company to be held on January 24. The profit of the half year was reported to be Y.4,368,000. Of this Y.1,000,000 will be placed on reserve.

Mr. Chang Ming-chi, the Governor of Kwangtung, who has been on leave at Tientsin to attend to his father's funeral, has applied to the Government for a month's extension of his leave. His request has been refused and it is expected, a vernacular paper states, that the Governor will tender his resignation, as he is determined not to return to Kwangtung.

His Excellency the Governor attended the special service of intercession at the Cathedral yesterday morning, when special prayers were offered for H.M. the King and for our soldiers and sailors. The Rev. V. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of the Cathedral officiated, there being a large congregation.

The Bishop preached in the evening on the subject of "Unity," calling attention to the special services at the City Hall this week as an opportunity for Christian people in the Colony to show their unity.

Two lots of Crown Land were offered for sale by auction at the Public Works Department this afternoon. The first was Island lot No. 2153, situated above Kennedy Road, embracing 26,711 square feet. The annual rental is \$'84 and the upset price was \$5,342. The lot was sold to Mr. Abdolkarim at the upset price.

The second was Island lot No. 2154 situated in Robinson Road, comprising an area of about 52,336 square feet, with an annual rental of \$300, the upset price being \$10,478. The lot was sold to Kwong Yung Yee, 15 Queen's Street, at the upset figure.

Application will be made to the Chief Justice, Sir Wm. Rees Davies, to-morrow morning at the Supreme Court, to wind up the Kwong Wo Hing firm.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins (instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner) will appear in support of the application. The nominal capital of the Company, says the petition, was \$20,000 all of which had been paid up or credited.

The object of the Company was to take over, as a going concern, a business then carried on at Victoria and at Singapore of general store keepers, curio dealers, furnishing and warehouse men.

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HONGKONG'S PRISONERS OF WAR.

TO BE REMOVED TO AUSTRALIA.

We are officially informed that His Majesty's Government have decided on general grounds that the Prisoners of War and interned women and children in the Colony be transferred to Australia, the Commonwealth having agreed to receive them. The transfer will take place during the current month.

NEW FRENCH LINER ARRIVES.

The New French liner "Portheos" on her maiden voyage to the Far East arrived in Hongkong on Sunday. The latest model of the Messageries Maritimes service has many notable improvements, and her appearance is considerably in advance of the Company's earlier vessels. During the afternoon a large number of visitors went aboard.

Some particulars of the "Portheos" were published in the "China Mail" a few days ago. She is a fine vessel of 18,133 tons displacement, and her engine power gives an average speed of 17½ knots.

REVENUE OFFICER'S SUICIDE.

The New Year holiday was darkened by a most distressing tragedy. Revenue Officer James MacMillan being found dead in his lodging at 1 Naval Terrace yesterday afternoon from a gunshot wound in the right temple, evidently self-inflicted. Deceased was a most hard-working and popular officer, and only last Friday returned to his post after a brief absence on leave.

The tragedy apparently happened between 1 and 2 a.m., but no report was heard by the people with whom he was lodging, some of whom were in the next room. Life was extinct when the discovery was made, and after the police had been called in, the body was removed to the mortuary.

Deceased, who was about 25 years old, belonged to Co. Armagh, Ireland, where his wife and two children, whom he sent home about 18 months ago, are now residing. He served during the South African War and gained four medals and eight or nine bars before coming to Hongkong, where he was with the R.G.A. before joining the Police Force. About two years ago he was transferred to the Revenue Department, and since then had been connected with Revenue Officer Wildin in many important seizures of opium.

Deceased belonged to the Hongkong Volunteers and will be accorded a military funeral. The cortege leaves the Mortuary about 5 this afternoon.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr and Mrs V. Finlay-Smith arrived in the Colony last Friday by the "Atsuta Maru."

Mr F. C. Millington, into assistant master of the Ellis Kadoorie School for Chinese, at Shanghai, has been gazetted as Second Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery and is stationed at Sharnbrook.

Miss Winifred Margaret Hill, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederick W. Hill, of Yokohama, and Mr Charles Robert Rice, son of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Lewis Rice, of Harrow, England, were married on December 21 in Christ Church, Yokohama.

Mr C. A. D. Melbourn has been appointed to act as Registrar of the Supreme Court, Registrar of Companies, Official Administrator and Official Trustee, and Registrar of the Supreme Court (in Prize), during the absence of Mr H. A. Nisbet, with effect from the 29th December, 1915.

The Chinese Government is stated to have given orders to the Tientsin Government Mint for the minting of 200,000 dollars of the new Empire and 20,000 Commemorative dollar coins to be issued on the Coronation days.

A Proclamation appears in the Government Gazette adding "All vegetable fibres and yarns made therefrom," to the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic Ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal. A note explains that this prohibition will include Manila hemp.

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SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

Two teams of "East" (Chinese and Indians) and "West" composed of players in the Second Division of the Hongkong League, played an exhibition match on Saturday, gate receipts and a collection, taken by Leading Signmen Amore and Browning, realising \$44 odd for the Tobacco Fund.

The "East" combined well and played with considerable judgment, but the "West" drew level in the end. Taylor and Claxton scored for the "West," Ogley netting twice for their opponents.

Mr W. V. Pennell was the referee, and the teams were—

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE LOSS OF THE "PERSEA."

SHIP DISAPPEARED IN FIVE MINUTES.

NEARLY FOUR HUNDRED PERISH.

Cairo, Jan. 2. The torpedo struck the *Persea* amidships at 1.10 in the afternoon and she had completely disappeared by 1.15.

There was no panic. Four boats were launched with the utmost promptness and about 150 were saved out of 550.

CAPTAIN DROWNED. The Captain of the *Persea* was drowned. He was last seen swimming after the vessel plunged.

The survivors include ten officers and eight foreigners. The *Persea* was sunk without warning.

London, Jan. 2. The underwriters of the *Persea* will probably have to face a considerable sum.

The P. and O. Offices in London were besieged by enquirers last night. Many men in black were accompanied by fearful women. Some spent the night in the waiting room.

AMERICAN CONSUL DROWNED. The American Consul at Aden was drowned on the *Persea*.

Of the two other Americans, Mr. Grant, the Vacuum Oil Agent at Calcutta was saved, and the lad Rose landed at Gibraltar.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. The American Consul at Alexandria reports that Mr. McNeely (American Consul at Aden) was drowned. He was last seen swimming. No submarine was seen, but an officer of the *Persea* saw the wake of the torpedo which struck the ship. The *Persea* sank in five minutes.

NAMES OF PASSENGERS. The passengers booked by the *Persea* were:

Sisters Adams, Mollie; Raulin, Scholier; Rev. A. Tennant, Messrs. Bachmann, M. N. Baraj, Beer, Belarish, Bolman, L. J. Brown, Burgess, Burns, Carlow, Curnan, Clark, A. M. Coleman, F. M. Coleman, G. M. Cooper, Denzey, Dickie, Dikshit, Dyke, Edgcombe, Gascoigne, Goldhar, C. H. Grant, Graves, Gribble, Harkness, Hagluck, Heans, Hilmy, Hoggan, Hoppas, A. S. Johnson, Jonan, H. King, E. Knight, C. Lal, Maffessanti, McHardy, McLeod, McNeely, Orr, Papasian, Peterson, Pickard, Putnam, Pürchase, Quinnell, Rann, Riggs, Rose, Roxburgh, Russ, Russell, Russel, Sabat, Salsbury, Serini, Shilston, B. M. Singh, B. P. Singh, M. Smith, William Smith, W. E. Smith, Thornton, Turner, Waller, Warner, P. Williams, Woodward, Zarnait.

Messames Denison and her two daughters, Boileau, Brierley, and child; infant, Brown, Bundy, Burscombe and child; infant, Burgess and E. L. Burgess, Burns, Castellon, Codrington, Deacon, Duncan, Edgcombe, Fletcher, Gaskell, Gaudillon, Gilbert, Graham, Grant, Gribble, Hogle and infant, Hutchison and child; infant and nurse; Innes and two infants, Jarvis, Keady and two children, Negus and four children, O'Reilly, Pigo, Paul, Quinnell and infant; D. M. Robinson, Ross and infant; Russ, Serini, Shanks, Shilston, Smith, M. E. Smith, Smyth, Spreckley and infant, Stocher, Thomas and child, Tidgett and child, Tresham and infant, Walland, and Woodward and two infants.

Doctors Misses Cook and Imprey; Misses Barrath, Bilby, Birch, Bowden Smith, Bull, Busk, Davidson, Derogez, Devonshire, Fladgate, Gibson, Hall, Halloran, Halpin, Lees, Macdonald, Maclean, Markwick, Mason, Mitchell, Nicholls, Ormrod, Quinnell, E. Smith, Wesley, Wate; Messrs. Bennis, Cooper, Creswell, Elliot, C. and J. Lyons, Montgomery, Quinnell, Settle, and Wexboys.

Colonels Lord Montague of Beulieu, Netherlands and E. R. Swiney; Lieut. Colonel E. A. Howell.

Majors W. O. Dawson, W. H. Keith, G. Hutchison and C. O. O'Reilly.

Captains H. L. Ainsworth, M. G. Bean, E. R. Berryman, E. A. Fell, J. P. Gilbert, J. T. Lockwood, A. G. Lyell, E. W. Marsh, J. H. Nelson, J. E. Torkington and A. H. Wilson.

Lieutenants W. C. Cooper, G. T. Fisher, O. Gough, H. R. Lawrence, A. F. Pegg, J. A. Robertson, A. T. Roch and H. Smith.

THE SURVIVORS.

Following are the names of the survivors:

Messrs. Dickie, W. Bathorne, A. Foy, G. Gifford, C. Grant, Gustad, L. Hallett, G. Hyman, Heans, Johnson, Knight, S. P. Lawrence, L. Moss, G. Newman, C. Pegg, Russ, E. Soper, H. Salmon Smith, W. E. Smith, William Smith, Walter Smith, T. Scott, Sharp, Wellington.

Messames Hutchison, Russ, Smyth, Shanks, Misses Cook, Fladgate, Lees, Markwick, Pengaskell.

Majors O'Reilly and Hutchison; Captains Berryman, Knibbs, Lyell and Nelson; Lieuts. Fisher and Spencey; 2nd Lieut. Gardner.

LATER. The Chief Officer, the Second Officer, seven Engineers, 27 seamen, 63 lascars, and 50 passengers have been saved.

ENEMY'S TRENCHES VIOLENTLY BOMBARDED.

"HEAVY DAMAGE."

Paris, Jan. 2. A communiqué announces that a violent bombardment of the enemy's trenches in the region of the Belgian dunes resulted in heavy damage, causing two conflagrations and exploding two ammunition depots.

French artillery pounded the German trenches in Argonne and Chevalier's Wood, resulting in the collapse of several blockhouses.

A violent German artillery bombardment took place at Hartmannswillerkopf and resulted in a slight withdrawal of the French, but the enemy refrained from an infantry attack.

GERMAN BARRACKS BOMBARDED.

Paris, Jan. 2. A communiqué reports: "Our heavy artillery in Champagne effectively bombarded a German barracks."

A grenade attack at Tahure was repulsed.

INTERCESSION SERVICES IN ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 2. Crowded intercession services were held by all religious denominations throughout the country.

Muffled bells emphasised the public sense of the loss of the gallant dead.

The Bishop of London preached at St. Paul's Cathedral a most impressive sermon in which he referred to the ghastly crimes in Armenia, and the torpedoing of the *Persea*, and urged the need of British preparedness and efficiency, recalling the warnings of the late Field Marshal Lord Roberts who lay buried in St. Paul's. The Bishop concluded by saying that after the day of victory Great Britain must be worthy of her great place in the world.

THE HONOURS' LIST.

ADDITIONAL NAMES.

London, Jan. 2. The following are to be added to the Honours' List, cabled yesterday:

K.C.M.G.—Lieut. Colonel Sir W. W. Cheryne; Sir James Porter (both distinguished surgeons); C.C.B.—Sir George Reid, late High Commissioner of Australia; K.C.B.—Colonel H. C. L. Holden; C.B.—J. W. Canon, E. R. Carleton, W. G. Gwatkin, C. P. Martel, J. M. Walter, L. C. Tufnell, C. E. Phipps, C. O. Skiple, F. Errington, H. R. Mends—all being Army Officers.

The List also include a large number of Naval Officers.

RUSSIA'S NEW STROKE.

SEVERAL HEIGHTS CAPTURED; 870 PRISONERS TAKEN.

Petrograd, Jan. 2. The Russians have captured several heights north-eastward of Czernowitz, and have taken 870 prisoners.

AUSTRO-GERMAN AIM FOILED.

Petrograd, Jan. 2. The Austro-German aim was to capture Tarnopol and Novo Alexinez but when this failed they predated the offensive came from the Russians.

Petrograd, Jan. 2. Whatever side began the offensive and whatever gaps in the events may have to be filled up, the slight raising of the curtain in the Volynian-Galician fighting points to an initiative on a front of 170 to 190 miles now.

The Russians seem firmly established across the Sty northwards of Chortorysk.

An enemy flank attack seven miles south-eastward of Kolky failed to shake the solidarity of the new Russian dispositions.

Progress is also reported northwards of Dikla.

Therefore, the move is apparently in the direction of Kovel along two railways—Sunny-Kovel and Rovno-Kovel.

THE "DILUTION OF SKILLED LABOUR."

ADDRESS BY MR. ASQUITH.

London, Jan. 2. The Press Bureau announced that Mr. Asquith addressed a deputation of the Amalgamated Engineers' Society and asserted the absolute necessity for the dilution of skilled labour by unskilled workers, and the imperative need of the utmost possible output at Home of munitions, so as to assist the financial problem ahead which was most serious.

The Prime Minister agreed to an amendment of the Munitions Bill protecting skilled workers, provided Labour troubles ceased.

Thereupon the deputation consented to actively co-operate in the scheme of dilution.

GREECE PROTESTS TO GERMANY.

Athens, Jan. 2. Greece has protested to Germany against a Tuibe dropping a bomb in Greece and killing a shepherd.

LORD DERBY'S RECRUITING SCHEME.

SECOND SET TO BE CALLED UP.

London, Jan. 2. It is expected that a Proclamation will be issued next week calling up the second set of the four-groups of Lord Derby's scheme.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY.

NEW DEPARTMENT OF BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE.

London, Jan. 2. The Foreign Trade Department of the Foreign Office has been established as a new department in order to carry out the Government's policy against trading with the enemy. It requests the active co-operation of all business men.

Mr. Worthington Evans, M. P. has been appointed controller of the Department.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SOLDIER SON.

London, Jan. 2. Mr. Lloyd George's son Richard has been gazetted a temporary Major.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOLLAND'S COAST DEFENCE.

Hague, Dec. 31. The Second Chamber has passed the estimates for Coast Defence without a division. The Minister for War, replying to a question, informed that Krupp's contract for the fortification of Flushing had been amended after consultation with experts.

EXPLOSION IN A CHICAGO FACTORY.

Chicago, Jan. 1. Eight persons were killed and 20 injured by an explosion in linseed oil works. The explosion was caused by fire, and the damage amounted to \$200,000.

THE LOSS OF THE "PERSEA."

AMERICA'S "UNPLEASANT IMPRESSION."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. The torpedoing of the *Persea* has created a most unpleasant impression upon the State Department, which inclined to take a rosy view as the result of the known negotiations. It is believed that sufficient time had elapsed to enable Austria to forbid submarines to torpedo ships without removing non-combatants.

There is little doubt that the sinking of the *Persea* will mean new diplomatic action, and the American Consul at Alexandria has been instructed to send immediate information.

The Americans aboard the *Persea* were Mr. McNeely (American Consul at Aden), the financier, Mr. Grant, bound for Bombay, and a schoolboy named Rose, who was expected to land at Gibraltar. The vessel was heavily laden with parcel post, but carried no war materials.

Lord Montague was going to Bombay as Inspector for Mechanical Transport Vehicles in India.

158 SURVIVORS REACH ALEXANDRIA.

London, Jan. 2. It is officially announced that 158 survivors have arrived at Alexandria. The survivors include passengers and crew. The former are believed to be about 60 in number.

Lloyd's gives the following figures of survivors:—Passengers, 59 (of whom 17 were women); white crew, 39; lascars, 59.

Unless more survivors are picked up, the death-roll would appear to be between 250 and 300.

It is understood that Col. the Hon. Clive Bigham was among those saved.

BRITISH SEIZE PORTION OF GERMAN TRENCHES.

London, Jan. 1. A Headquarters' despatch says that on Friday evening, south-east of Arras, a small party of our troops seized a portion of the German front line and inflicted several casualties. After fulfilling its mission, the party withdrew. Our loss was only a few wounded.

The enemy on Saturday morning exploded a mine near the Hohenzollern redoubt, but failed to do any damage. There has been less artillery activity to-day.

GERMAN ATTACK IN VOSGES.

COMPLETELY REPULSED.

Paris, Jan. 1. A communiqué states:—Our batteries successfully bombarded the enemy first and second line trenches in Belgium. We wrecked a German work west of Soupir.

The Germans in the Vosges, after artillery preparation, launched an infantry attack on Hirtstein, which was completely repulsed.

THE RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE.

AUSTRIAN LINES SMASHED AT SEVERAL POINTS.

London, Jan. 1. The Russians are still silent concerning the Besambian battles, apparently in accordance with the policy followed in the great offensive early in the war, of waiting till a decisive score, but Austrian communications indicate that the Russian attacks in Galicia are becoming more violent and more important and are not confined to the Besambian front, but are extending to the west of the River Strypa.

The Russians succeeded in smashing the Austrian lines at several points. The Austrians only claim that their artillery stopped the Russian advance, which indicates that the advance is only partially stopped.

Though the Austrian communications assert that the Russian losses are excessive, they only mention that 480 Russian dead were found at two points.

RIVER STYR CROSSED.

Petrograd, Jan. 2. A communiqué says that desperate fighting is in progress south of the River Strypa.

The Russians crossed the river Strypa between the Kovel-Sunny railway and Tcharovysk and held the ground against repeated counter-attacks.

The Russians also advanced north of Olyk, occupied two lines of enemy trenches in the River Strypa region, drove back the enemy to the right bank of the Dniester, and between the Dniester and the Rumanian frontier broke through enemy entanglements and consolidated the captured ground.

SMALL INVESTORS AND WAR LOANS.

London, Jan. 1. The Committee on War Loans for the small investor recommend that during the war there be no limit to the yearly or total amount of individual deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank; also the immediate issue of Exchequer Bonds in £5, £20, and £50 nominations on similar terms to the existing £100 Bonds. These small Bonds will be sold at the Post Office. The Treasury agrees to the recommendations.

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ARREST OF ENEMY CONSULS.

FOLLOWS GERMAN AIR RAID ON SALONIKA.

SALONIKA, Jan. 2. It was after four Tantes had flown over Salonika, dropping bombs without damage, that General Sarrail ordered the arrest of the enemy Consuls and their staffs. British and French troops surrounded the Consulates, arrested everybody therein, and seized the archives.

GERMAN AVIATORS BOMB GREEK TROOPS.

PARIS, Jan. 1. A communiqué says:—German aviators over Salonika dropped bombs on the Greek troops.

SERBIAN MONARCH AT SALONIKA.

GREEK TROOPS FORM GUARD OF HONOUR.

Athens, Jan. 2. The King of Serbia has arrived at Salonika, accompanied by some of his Ministers, about a French warship.

The public were stirred at the unexpected arrival of the exiled monarch. Greek troops formed a Guard of Honour for the Sovereign of their Ally.

KING CONSTANTINE'S HEALTH.

Athens, Jan. 2. King Constantine's wound from his last operation is giving trouble, and specialists are again attending him. The King's general condition is described as good.

MONTENEGRINS PUNISH AUSTRIANS.

ENEMY'S GREAT LOSSES.

CETINJE, Jan. 1. The Montenegrins have had further successes, annihilating an enemy detachment and capturing prisoners in Novibazar. They also repulsed an Austrian attack on the Mount Lovcen front, inflicting great losses.

AUSTRIANS COMPELLED TO RETIRE.

London, Jan. 2. A Montenegrin communiqué mentions further successful attacks by the Montenegrins, compelling the Austrians to retire at various points.

EGYPTIAN FRONTIER FIGHT.

CAPTURE OF MUCH BOOTY.

Cairo, Jan. 1. Details of the Egyptian frontier fight shows that the Arabs at Matruh died in disorder, leaving 400 killed, 82 prisoners, and much booty. Our casualties were only 10 killed and 53 wounded.

It is officially announced that our force, which advanced from Matruh to round up Hauran's camp, found that he had retreated hastily, leaving a month's supplies, 400 sheep, 90 camels, and 200 tents.

The booty captured after the action at Majid includes 12,000 rounds of small arm ammunition, 300 sheep, 84 camels, five tons of barley. Moreover, 60 camels were destroyed by artillery fire.

SIR JOHN SIMON RESIGNS.

London, Jan. 1. The Home Secretary (Sir John Simon, K.C.) has tendered his resignation, which, however, has not yet been accepted.

The Times says that some of his colleagues hope that he will reconsider the matter.

HALF A MILLION CANADIANS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 1. Sir Robert Borden, in a statement, says that the total Canadians recruited to the 17th December numbered 212,000, which number will be increased to half a million.

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To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE. WE have This Day Opened a Branch Establishment in CANTON. Our former agent Mr. G. E. HUYGEN ceases to represent us.

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SHANGHAI	YINGCHOW	Jan. 4, at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	KAIFONG	Jan. 6, at 10 a.m.
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HOIHOW & HAI HONG	LOKSANG	THURSDAY, Jan. 6, at 8 a.m.
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KIYO MARU	17,000-15 knots	Sat., 8th Jan. at Noon.
OHIO MARU	9,000-11 knots	Tues., 25th Jan. at Noon.
PERIA MARU	9,000-17 knots	Thurs., 3rd Feb. at Noon.
TENYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Tues., 15th Feb. at Noon.
NIIPPON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Tues., 28th Feb. at 10.30 a.m.
DAIREN MARU	8,000-14 knots	Tues., 3rd Mar. at Noon.
SHENYO MARU	18,500-15 knots	Wed., 11th Mar. at Noon.
SHENYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Sat., 14th Mar. at Noon.

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DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	Displacement	SAILING DATA
MARSHALLS & LONDON			
Via SINGAPORE	MISHIMA MARU.		THURSDAY, 13th
MALACCA, PENANG,	Capt. Wada,	Tons 16,000	Jan., at Noon.
COLOMBO, SUEZ AND			
PORT SAID	SUWA MARU,		THURSDAY, 27th
	Capt. Sekine,	Tons 21,000	Jan., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEAT- TLE, Via SHANGHAI	SADO MARU.		SATURDAY, 15th
MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	Capt. —,	Tons 12,500	Jan., at Noon.
& YOKOHAMA			
	AWA MARU.		TUESDAY, 25th
	Capt. T. Hori,	Tons 12,500	Jan. at Noon.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,	NIKKO MARU.		FRIDAY, 14th
Via MANILA, THURS-	Capt. Takeda,	Tons 9,600	Jan. at 4 p.m.
DAY ISLAND, TOWNS-	HITACHI MARU.		TUESDAY, 15th
VILLE AND BRISBANE	Capt. Tominga,	Tons 13,500	Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	KAMAKURA MARU.		WEDNESDAY, 6th
	Capt. Higo,	Tons 12,500	Jan.
CALCUTTA & SINGAPORE,	CEYLON MARU.		SATURDAY, 8th
PENANG & RANGOON.	Capt. Fujino,	Tons 10,000	Jan.
BOMBAY & SINGAPORE,	PENANG MARU.		SATURDAY, 8th
MALACCA AND COLOMBO	Capt. Murazumi,	Tons 8,000	Jan.
NAGASAKI, KOBE &	HITACHI MARU.		FRIDAY, 14th
YOKOHAMA	Capt. Tominga,	Tons 13,500	Jan. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE &	TOSA MARU.		FRIDAY, 14th
YOKOHAMA	Capt. Takazo,	Tons 12,500	Jan.
SHANGHAI, KOBE &	SMIYAZAKI MARU.		TUESDAY, 25th
YOKOHAMA	Capt. Teranaba,	Tons 16,000	Jan. at 10 a.m.
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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1915. 1108

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THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.
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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1915. 1053

STRAITS, COLOMBO, AUSTRALIA, BOMBAY, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, VIA PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENT, TAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship NIPON, Captain H. R. HENDERSON, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port on or about THURSDAY, the 14th January, 1916, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship service from Colombo. Passengers accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Suez and Yaman, and Tea and Cargo for Italy, France, and London (under arrangements) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Other Cargo for London etc. will be conveyed via Bombay and transhipped to the s.s. "Faiyaz" which due in London about 28th February, 1916.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
For further particulars, apply to
E. V. D. PARR,
For Superintendent.
Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1915.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

FROM MEXICAN, PERUVIAN, CHILIAN, HONOLULU AND JAPAN PORTS.

THE Steamship "KIYO MARU,"

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counterbalance, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915, at Noon, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Goods remaining undelivered on 4th January, 1916 at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Co's Godown, where they will be examined on 11th January, at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised if filed after the 12th January, 1916.

K. DOI,
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Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1915. 1105

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1915.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE GOVERNMENT) on

FRIDAY,

the 7th January, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—
Sideboards, Dinner Wagon, Dining Tables and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofa, Armchairs, &c., Wardrobes and Toilet Tables, Double and Single Bedsteads, &c., Miscellaneous Furniture, several lots of Blackwood Ware, One Set Saddlery (complete), 2 Carpets and Four Pianos, One Small Garden Tent, Tennis Net, &c., and Rex Motor Cycle with Spare Tyres and Accessories.

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Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1915.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

December 31.

Alma Maru, Japanese str., 4,000 T.

Sakow, London and Singapore Dec. 29.

General—N. Y. K.

Tulio, Dutch steamer, 3,001, A.

Oldenburg, Amoy Dec. 30, General.

Java China-Japan Line.

Huron, British steamer, 4,922, G. Moir.

Liverpool and Singapore Dec. 23, General.

Butterfield & Swire.

Dai Nippon, Japanese steamer, 6,001, A.

Konihi, Haiphong Dec. 30, General—O.

S. K.

Dagda, Norwegian str., 897, A. I. Salve-

sen, Haiphong and Hongkong Dec. 30, General.

Thorsen & Co.

Ryo Nippon, Japanese str., 2,979, Y.

Yamaguchi, Kobe and Hongkong Dec. 29.

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SHIPMENTS EXPECTED.

Other Vessels.

The Australian-Oriental Line's *Chongha* left Sydney for Hongkong via usual Australian and Philippine ports on 24th Dec., and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 18th Jan.

Latest Arrivals.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Nellors* left Singapore for this port on the 2nd December, a.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 7th January, at about noon.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agular Radio Telegraph Station—
Porthos Arrives

Inward Mails.

Europe (London 3rd Dec., via Siberia),
Chonan, 4th Jan.

Europe (British Mail), *Nellors*, 7th Jan.

Mails will close for—
SAIGON.
Per *Castell*, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

BATAVIA, GHERIBON, SAMARANG, SOURABAYA, MACASSAR, BALIKAPAN & PORT MORESBY (via BATAVIA).
Per *Yokohama*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

BANGKOK.
Per *Dayin*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

SAIGON.
Per *Yokohama*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, JAPAN VIA NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA, TACOMA, & UNITED KINGDOM VIA CANADA.
Per *Manila*, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA.
Per *Manila*, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SOURABAYA & PORT MORESBY (via BATAVIA).
Per *Yokohama*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
Per *Yokohama*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
(Europe via Siberia).
Per *Yokohama*, at 2.15 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan.

Shanghai British P.O., Saturday, 8th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA VIA ANPING & TAKAO.
Per *Manila*, at 7 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th Jan.

HAIPHONG.
Per *Yokohama*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th Jan.

SANDAKAN.
Per *Manila*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th Jan.

STRAITS & INDIA VIA CALCUTTA.
Per *Yokohama*, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th Jan.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
Per *Yokohama*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th Jan.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA.
Per *Manila*, at noon, on Friday, the 7th Jan.

JAPAN VIA MOJI, HONOLULU, HILO, SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES, SALINA CRUZ, PANAMA, CALLAO, ARICA, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO & CORONEL.
Per *Yokohama*, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th Jan.

UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA & CANADA VIA SAN FRANCISCO & UNITED KINGDOM VIA CANADA.
Per *Manila*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th Jan. Letters at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 9th Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
Per *Yokohama*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 11th Jan.

HAIPHONG, SAIGON, STRAITS, BURMAH, Ceylon, ADELPHI, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT & EUROPE.
Per *Yokohama*, at 3.15 p.m., on Wednesday, the 11th Jan.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

STRAIGHT AT IT.

THERE is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well out with it first at last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we know why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cure has gained a wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents.

Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1916.

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LOST—Between Union Church and Bottom of Garden Road or on Tram Car between 10.30 and 11 p.m. 31st December. A GOLD CROSS set with Garnets, inscription on back containing 4 initials. Finder will be rewarded on returning it to the Central Police Station.

Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1916.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

LOST.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4299 for Twenty-five shares numbered 4901 to 4925 inclusive, standing in the Register in the name of Frank Barrington Deacon having been lost. Notice is hereby given that unless the said Certificate be produced at the Office of the Company, 5 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the Third day of February, 1916, a new Certificate for the said shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary, Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1916.

BANKRUPTCY No. 63 OF 1914.

Re CHUI, BAHO and Company late of Prince's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Merchants.

A THIRD dividend of 43 per cent. has been declared in the above matter. Notice is hereby given that the above-mentioned dividend may be received at the Office of Messrs. LOWE, BRIDGMAN & MAXWELL, on or after the 10th day of January, 1916, or on any subsequent date between 10 a.m. and 12 noon.

Creditors applying for payment must produce any bills of exchange, promissory notes or other securities held by them and must sign a receipt in the prescribed form. Dated this 31st day of December, 1915.

C. A. DA ROZA, Trustee.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there are TWO VACANCIES in the Canton Protector Service, which will be filled by competitive Examination in accordance with the General Regulations of the Chinese Pilgrage Service.

The examination will be held at the Harbour Master's Office, Chinese Maritime Customs, on or about the 15th January 1916.

Apprentices who have duly served an apprenticeship of three months, and who are desirous of sitting for examination, should forward their names and addresses to the Harbour Master's Office, not later than January 10th 1916. A definite date on which they may sit for examination will then be given them.

ARNOLD HOLTSON, Acting Harbour Master.

Harbour Master's Office, Chinese Maritime Customs, 30th December, 1915.

Approved: F. H. MERRILL, Commissioner of Customs.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from The Registrar Supreme Court, to sell by Public Auction, on

the 4th January, 1916, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

SILVER WARE GOODS, JEWELLERY, etc., etc.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers to the Government.

Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1916.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.